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SQUADRON FOR CUBA

Report That Spain Is Getting Ready at Cadiz.

BUYS TWO SPEEDY CRUISERS ALSO.

It Is Asserted That Options on Eight Warships Have Been Offered the United States by Foreign Shipbuilders.

LONDON, March 5.—A letter just received here from Madrid says it is definitely reported there that a fresh Spanish squadron, destined for Cuba, is being organized at Cadiz. It consists of four ironclads, the Carlos V., Pelayo, Alfonso XIII and another, several gunboats and a transatlantic steamer. Active work is also proceeding upon the torpedo boat destroyers Prosperina, Audaz and Osadia and upon the torpedo boats Havana, Retamoso and Barcelo, which form the second torpedo boat flotilla which Spain is sending to Cuba.

Spain has purchased two cruisers which the Armstrongs have been building for Brazil, the Amazonas and a sister ship, unnamed, of 4,000 tons each, 23 knots and 10 guns. Spain is also negotiating for and will probably secure two cruisers of a similar type which have been building in France for Brazil. The Amazonas is ready for launching, and her sister ship will be ready shortly.

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Foreign Shipbuilders Willing to Sell Men-of-War to Uncle Sam.

NEW YORK, March 5.—A newspaper correspondent sends the following from Washington to his paper:

"Fully realizing the importance of preparations for any emergency, the president has directed the navy department to open negotiations looking to the purchase abroad of warships. This fact is now for the first time made public. It probably would not have transpired at this juncture but for the excitement caused by the statement that Spain has purchased or is negotiating for warships being built by the Elswick company of England for Brazil, and for other ships under construction.

"With a view of ascertaining the facts I called upon a high official of the administration and obtained an official admission—made for the first time—that while the president does not anticipate war, he recognizes that there is a possibility of hostilities growing out of the Cuban problem and the Maine disaster, and that he proposes to be prepared for it.

Mr. Nunez shrugged his shoulders after the dispatch had been read to him and remarked that it was just as well that the Spanish authorities should have that option regarding the Dauntless expedition, but, evidently becoming more interested in the topic, he continued: "My last expedition put into Cuba 700,000 bullets locked at the end of 700,000 mauser cartridges, and every one of these bullets is now being used to let daylight into the Spaniards who think as Senor du Bosc thinks. If Senor du Bosc knows as much about my recent expedition as the Spanish authorities in Havana know about the destruction of the Maine and if Senor du Bosc says that expedition was a failure, as the Havana authorities say the Maine blew up on her own account, then Senor du Bosc is of the same stripe as the authorities in Havana—he is a liar."

Mr. Nunez expressed the opinion that the battleship Maine was destroyed "by Spanish officials, with their knowledge and by their hands."

THE COURT OF INQUIRY.

It Is Unable to Fix Even an Approximate Date for the End of Its Work.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—It was developed yesterday afternoon through telegraphic correspondence between Secretary Long and Admiral Sicard that the court of inquiry is unable to fix even an approximate date for the conclusion of its investigation into the disaster to the Maine. Sharing the general anxiety for some information on this point, Secretary Long, at the instance of the cabinet, sent a telegram to Admiral Sicard asking him when it was expected that the report of the court would be made, and late tonight the following reply was received:

"I have talked with the president of the court of inquiry and agreed with him that it is not yet possible to fix a date for the finding, as so much depends upon the progress of the divers and wreckers and the results they obtain. Every effort is being made to advance the inquiry. The court returns to Havana by the Mangrove this evening, having finished the examination at Key West."

The London reports caused comment at the state department. In some quarters the feeling was expressed that pending the finding of a court of inquiry on a case having the international character of the Maine explosion the obligations of neutrality were so strongly imposed on Great Britain and France as

in time of war. The precedents apply only to a condition of war and not to conditions which may eventually lead to war. In the Geneva award, however, unfriendly acts by Great Britain prior to the breaking out of the rebellion constituted part of the case on which heavy damages were awarded against her. But as a general rule foreign governments are free to sell warships either directly or through their citizens up to the actual date of hostilities.

Matters were very quiet, at least externally, in the war department. There was a strong indisposition to discuss the proposition to resume possession of Dry Tortugas, but the officials did not hesitate to declare that only normal movements were going on. So it was unknown officially that the troops at Salt Lake are being reviewed, and it was said that if this were so it could be nothing more than the usual periodical inspections required by the regulations.

It is probable that the Olympia, flagship of the Asiatic squadron and the peerless queen of the cruisers, will come home to San Francisco. The navigation bureau has this movement under consideration, and in view of the fact that the ship has been three years away from a navy yard, engaged in hard cruising service, even if there were no other reason, it is probable that the order will be given.

THEIR TASK DIFFICULT.

Part of a Body Recovered and Another One Found by Divers.

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SCARE NOT AFFECTING TRADE.

What Dun's Review Has to Say This Week on Business Matters.

NEW YORK, March 5.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

While the nation stands ready to support President McKinley, as it was ready to support President Cleveland, in any just controversy, it is gratified by the calmness and justice shown in waiting until facts determine whether there is ground for complaint. Stories of the most reckless sort, disproved promptly, and many of them before they are told, affected speculation in stocks much last week and at times this week, but they have not disturbed the industries and the trade of the country at all.

There is confidence that the authorities are doing what is proper to provide for public defense, and business is moving on with the assurance that it will not be seriously disturbed. The nation looks for peace, but knows that its sources of prosperity are quite beyond the reach of any attack that is possible. In grain, cotton, meat products and petroleum markets have been stronger, with gradual increase in the demand for manufactured products.

Failures for the week have been 251 in the United States, against 246 last year, and 32 in Canada, against 38 last year.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The Jubilee anniversary of the Italian constitution was celebrated at Rome yesterday.

HER DANDY RIDE.

A Tale of the Himalayas.

BY ORIEL MILLER.

Nestling among the hills and reflected on the bosom of the little lake of the same name, is Naini Tal, the government station for Oudh and the northwest provinces during the hot months. Here Maj. Gilbert was stationed with the Fourteenth Highland regiment. As his family had decided to remain with him in the hills during the winter, Miriam Browne, an American girl, much matured by five years in the land of flowers and philosophy, had gained the consent of her uncle and aunt to stop with them. Yet the cold season in the foothills of the Himalayas cannot properly be called winter, for in this part of India the flowers bloom in the gardens in all seasons. The guest of a charming family, in the midst of all the attractions of winter in a high altitude, Miriam had passed the months in almost uninterrupted pleasure. Adventures were frequent—experiences such as are dear to the heart of a spirited American girl.

One day, late in February, at the close of the winter rains, Miss Browne received a telegram at luncheon, announcing the serious illness of her aunt, at that time in Delhi. In her impulsive way, Miriam decided to start for the plains on the same afternoon. The Gilberts tried in vain to dissuade her. She determined to go as far as Rani Bagh that afternoon and spend the night in the dak bungalow. As few persons traveled in the hills at that time of the year, there was little danger of not finding a vacant room at the bungalow.

If Maj. Gilbert had been at home, that enterprise would undoubtedly have been forbidden, or if Lieut. Gilbert, the major's son, had been at home, he would have planned it otherwise and acted as escort to Miriam. But as both the major and the lieutenant were away, Miriam



"I KNOW YOUR GODS ARE VERY ANGRY."

insisted upon her own way. She consented, however, to accept the protection of Rahm Singh, a trusted servant, as far as Kutgadam. Her things were hastily packed, the required number of coolies were summoned, and at four o'clock she started. The valleys were already in deep shadow, and a phantom-like mist lurked in the gorges. The afternoon sunlight made distant peaks golden set in tents of emerald and topaz. Here and there a gray mist veiled the summits.

Some describe the dandy as "an instrument of torture swung on the shoulders of trotting men." But not to exaggerate, imagine a comfortable low seat among cushions and rugs on a frame covered with oilcloth, to which is attached a short heavy pole to rest on the shoulders of coolies. If a canopy is desired it can be put on. Unless one has a steady head, the sensation of the jolting of this mountain vehicle is not pleasant. The coolies trot along the edges of a cliff, and "change shoulders" in places which seem to the occupant most perilous.

When hardly an hour of daylight remained, Miriam Browne had still 11 miles of mountain road to travel before reaching the dak bungalow. She was equipped, however, with a good lantern. When the half-way house was finally reached, it was quite dark. As the coolies wished to rest, the "dandy" was set down by the roadside for awhile. Thus sitting in the gloom, Miriam could hear the gurgle of the water in the pipes of the coolies and their low, monotonous talk. The chatter of monkeys and the shrill cries of birds came from the neighboring trees, and the wail of wild beasts from the mountain side. Below in the gorge was the torrent of the river. She began to feel a vague fear, and was anxious to be on her way. The recent rains had injured the roads in many places, and traveling in the night was dangerous. There was no time to lose. Miriam called the coolies and told them they must start again. To her amazement they refused to obey. Then Rahm Singh said:

"Miss Sahib, the coolies are tired and must have a present to get something to eat."

"No, Rahm Singh, I cannot give you my bakhshish now, but when I pay you to return, you shall have piecemeal the frightened girl."

"Miss Sahib, they will not go if they are not given money."

path. Miriam saw that it was only the flame from a burning lime kiln.

The night air grew warmer as they trotted down the mountain road. Jackals howled alarmingly near, and the branches of trees along the roadside cracked under the weight of monkeys. But as Miriam presently distinguished several familiar landmarks of civilization, she felt reassured. At length they approached the little native village not more than a mile from the inn.

"Miss Sahib, Rani Bagh hal!" said Rahm Singh, pointing forward with a half smile. True enough, Rani Bagh was near by, and it was not long till Miriam was sipping tea behind the well-boited doors.

When she shut herself in for the night Rahm Singh salaamed and said: "I will sleep at your feet all night and be your guard." And all night the servant who had been chiefly responsible for the mutiny among the coolies lay wrapped in his blanket before her door. Yet long after midnight she had not found sleep; and unable to bear the loneliness longer, she was about to call out, when she heard a familiar voice:

"Rahm Singh! ho, Rahm Singh! Miss Sahib hal?"

"Jai hal, Lieut. Sahib."

It was the voice of Lieut. Gilbert, who, finding Miriam gone upon his return home, had set out immediately to overtake her. After riding half the night along the dangerous mountain road, he had come up with her at the dak bungalow.

KILLED BY ENCHANTMENT.

A Queer Witchcraft Yarn from Over the Seas.

When magicians, occultists and adepts in the black art the world over heard the other day that Stanislas de Guaita was dead, they at once, or rather, the leaders among them, jumped at the conclusion that enchantment had killed him, or, in other words, that an evil spell had been cast over him, causing him to waste away and finally die.

Some years ago Stanislas de Guaita had a bitter quarrel with Abbe Boullan, and the story goes that he determined to kill him by enchantment. During the middle ages, when a person desired to get an enemy out of the way he frequently applied for assistance to a magician, who, for a monetary consideration, usually very large, would undertake the unpleasant task. The weapon used was an image, made of wax or other impressionable material, and fashioned so as to resemble as closely as possible the person about to be removed.

The magician claimed that when pins were stuck into this image or when it was otherwise maimed, the person whom it represented would suffer in a corresponding degree and would, in a short time surely die. Naturally, images of this sort were at one time rather popular among those who had enemies whom they desired to remove.

Abbe Boullan, however, was not to be caught so easily. He knew a deal about the black art himself, and when he heard that Guaita intended to kill him in this way he determined to prevent him. He was successful, and then he went on his way, calmly pursuing his occult studies, until finally he died peacefully in his bed, like any other respectable gentleman. Now, however—and this is the singular part of the story—it appears that the enchantment which was designed to work his death has ruthlessly retraced its steps and killed its own author, Stanislas de Guaita himself.

This being the nineteenth century, Stanislas de Guaita, it is said, could not condone to use such a clumsy artifice as a waxen image, and therefore, he employed the more modern engine of destruction known as the "flying spirit."

Abbe Boullan had an intuition of what was coming, and, though he had the utmost confidence in his own ability to ward off any such attacks, he nevertheless thought it well to consult a clairvoyant. She not only told him his suspicions were well founded, but she also described the weapon which Guaita intended to use against him. This weapon was a curious poison, the main ingredients of which were farina, meat, sacramental bread, mercury, animal extracts, human blood, acetate of morphine and the juice of an asp. As cholera is conveyed from Asia to Europe through a microbe, so this poison was to be conveyed into Abbe Boullan's body through the spirit of some dead person, which Guaita would summon from the nether world for that purpose.

"Go back! I do not need such wicked servants!" she shouted to the approaching coolies.

On the coolies came quickly with the "dandy." Drawing herself to her full height, with a haughty air, Miriam demanded what they meant by following her when she had already dismissed them. "You are too dishonest to serve me, and I know your gods are very angry."

The terrified men set up a howl of distress and begged her to get into the "dandy," but she pushed by them and went on. Now even Rahm Singh was alarmed, and entreated her to be kind. Again they brought forward the "dandy" and begged her to enter. When Miriam recalls the incident now she smiles to think of herself, not large, less than a hundred pounds on the scales, commanding those six insolent natives. But she played her part well. When she again refused to enter the "dandy," the dirty, half-naked fellows fell on their faces, clasped their hands and prayed for forgiveness. One poor fellow actually kissed her feet and put dust on his head to show his humility. They continued to beg her to trust herself to them once more, promising to travel the remaining distance very rapidly. She seemed to relent with great reluctance, but at last entered the dandy. The coolies promptly shouldered it, and with one of them in advance carrying the lantern they were again on their way to Rani Bagh.

As they passed the demon of fire which had frightened her at the bend in the

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There will be a noteworthy musical event in the First Congregational Church on the evening of March 15th, that being the date fixed for the Von Grabill piano recital. S. Becker Von Grabill, who comes to Middletown for the first time, cannot fail to delight all lovers of music. He is the assistant and only pupil of the aged De Kont-ki, official pianist of the German court. Mr. Grabill left Europe but a short time since, leaving behind him a great reputation and bringing with him many degrees, honors and decorations. As a pianist he is esteemed as one of the most brilliant and effective now engaged in professional tours. As a composer he takes high rank, "having the gift of melodious invention," as a recent critic puts it, "coupled with the necessary technical skill to interpret his ideas."

The promoters of this concert rely upon its merits alone to attract an audience worthy of the artists who are to appear, and there will be no personal canvas for ticket buyers. It is believed that this concert will prove popular.

Mr. Grabill will be ably assisted by Miss Julia Wickham, of Greenwich, Conn., formerly solo alto of the First Presbyterian Church, this city.

A USEFUL CATALOGUE.

T. J. Dwyer & Son's Announcement to Fruit Growers.

We have received a catalogue of T. J. Dwyer & Son's Orange Co. Nurseries at Cornwall, N. Y. From a very small beginning this trade has grown to large proportions. Trees, plants, etc. are shipped to all parts of the country. As will be seen from the testimonials in the catalogue they have among their patrons people who are in the habit of getting the best the market affords. They have for this spring's sales, three million strawberry plants, fifty thousand fruit trees, fifty thousand each of currants, blackberries, and raspberries, and asparagus by the million, also a full line of roses, shade trees, evergreens and other ornamental stock. As will be seen from their advertisement in our columns they send their catalogue free by mail to all applicants. We advise all our readers to send for a copy. It contains valuable and instructive information and names the varieties of fruits best suited for this section of the country.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Reports on the State Convention—Public Reception by the Gymnasium Class—Gymnastics for Ladies.

At the meeting, to-morrow, in the Y. M. C. A. rooms at 3:30 p. m., reports will be given of the State convention by delegates who attended it at Rochester, Feb. 18-20. A cordial invitation is extended to the men of our city to be present.

Next Thursday evening the Y. M. C. A. rooms will be opened to the public generally and an informal reception will be given by the members of the gymnasium class. Dr. D. B. Hardebergh, medical director, will also give a brief address on "Physical Culture." All will be welcomed.

Lawes Robertson, physical director of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, is organizing an evening class for ladies, of which any of the ladies of this city may become a member at a very small expense. Information on this subject can be obtained of the General Secretary.

THE MONTICELLO POST OFFICE

A Prediction That Col. Bradley Will Name the Next Postmaster.

From the Monticello Watchman.

We are told by a man high in the councils of the Republic party that the man who will dictate or influence the appointment of the next postmaster will be Col. Thomas Bradley, of Walden. He selected the man for Middlestown, as he was the combined machine and organization, and the more the matter is examined the plainer it appears that he will do the same for Monticello. He is a man who as a delegate to the National Convention defied Platt and Odell and supported McKinley. Now, who is Bradley for? Is he for Ludington or is he for Beecher, or will he take up an unknown quantity, a black horse, so to speak, and give to him the plumb? It is written somewhere in the book of fate, but we can't find it.

Mrs. Otens and the Indecent Letter Charge.

Mrs. Otens, the Ellenville woman who threw vitriol on W. R. Denman, of that village, and of which an Ulster county jury said she was not guilty, will appear before U. S. Commissioner Shields in New York, next Wednesday, to answer to the charge of sending indecent letters through the mails.

Standard Oil Co. to Build a Store House at Chester.

Joseph Durland, president of the Chester Bank, sold, Tuesday, for Mrs. Bacon her lot on the north side of the railway, opposite the depot, to the Standard Oil Co. for \$5,000. The company purposes to build a storage building for its oil to supply the trade along that part of the Erie and its branches.

Two New Erie Creameries.

Work is being rushed on the creameries which the Erie is building at Turners and at Big Island, on the Pine Island branch. The buildings are each 80x100 feet. The former has been leased by J. P. Brasington and the latter to George Ibrahim, both of Brooklyn.

OVER THE SHAWANGUNKS.

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN SULLIVAN COUNTY ARE DOING.

The News from All Parts of the County

Many Matters of Interest Condensed from Our Sullivan Exchanges and Contributed by Wise Awake Correspondents.

—Samuel B. Greene has been nominated for president of the village of Monticello by the Citizens' Progressive party. The other candidates on this ticket are: Trustee for one year, Patrick H. Ryan; Trustee for two years, Joseph Engelmann; Treasurer, Seth G. Carpenter; Collector, Samuel Mearns.

—George Harding, the O. and W. agent at Liberty Falls, has resigned.

—R. D. Terwilliger, the O. and W. operator at Summitville, has been transferred to South Fallsburgh, where he has the day position.

—The Republicans of Liberty have nominated the following village ticket: President, Daniel Poelman, Sr.; Trustees, H. H. Weyrauch and John C. Hall; Treasurer, R. A. Monroe; Collector, John T. Hobart.

—M. C. Hamby, the deposed pastor of the Bethel Presbyterian Church, has quit preaching and is reported to have gone into business in Toronto, Can., with his brother.

—Charles Lorch has bought U. R. Calkins' farm near Youngsville for \$1,000.

—The dwelling house of James Daley, of Starlight, was destroyed by fire, Thursday night, Feb. 24. The fire was discovered by members of the family about 2:30 in the morning. They succeeded in saving some of their furniture. Mr. Daley was insured for \$300 on the house and \$200 on furniture.

—The Monticello creamery has again changed hands, Mr. Robbin going out of the business and Messrs. Schloss & Evans of New York, taking charge. On Thursday, Mr. Robbin's interests were sold at auction by Wm. B. McMillen, auctioneer, and bid in by Mr. Jordan, the mortgagor. The sale was divided into two parts. The first lot consisted of between 700 and 800 cans which brought 40 cents each; the second lot was a boiler, engine, vats, shelving, cooler and Babcock tester, etc., which were sold for \$250.—*Watchman*.

—W. T. Stephenson, who was appointed postmaster at Hurd, has declined the job. The salary is only \$50 a year.

—Louis Rott, of the town of Tusten, was arrested in New York, a few days ago, by Sheriff Fulton, of this county, on the charge of abandoning his wife and five children. He was taken before Justice Darling, of Tusten, who decreed that he must pay \$5 a week for the support of his family or be committed to the county jail.

—Stoddard P. Gray, a school teacher at Loch Sheldrake, sued Chris Berringer, of the Jeffersonville House, for \$13.50, the value of coat and pair of gloves taken from the hotel by another party, by mistake, in September last. Berringer recovered the articles and sent them to Gray, who refused to pay the fifty cents express charges and at length brought suit. The case came up before Squire Slavor, at Woodbourne, Saturday, but was not tried for, after a lot of wrangling it was settled, each party paying part of the costs.

—Liberty wants to refund its railroad bonds, which are falling due at the rate of \$5,000 a year. The bonds bear four per cent, and it is proposed to refund them into long time bonds at three per cent.

—Charles Couch, of New Milford, Conn., who has bought cattle in this county, every spring, for twenty-five years, has been in Liberty for a week buying oxen. He shipped a carload, Friday, for which he paid from \$100 to \$120 a pair. He says that the oxen throughout the country are not as good as they were twenty years ago.

—A. J. D. Wedemeyer, of Liberty, has been elected a vice president of the Evangelical Alliance for the United States.

—A little twig only twenty inches long, cut from a tree on David Chapman's farm by Peter Hubert, the stage driver, last week, contained three and a half pounds of ice. Chas. R. Gregory showed us a twig from a tree cut on his farm containing ice over three inches thick.—*Liberty Register*.

—John Murphy & Son have sold the Liberty Mansion House to Emmet and Thomas Casey, of New York, who will take possession April 1st. The sale includes the real estate and furnishings and the price is understood to have been \$24,000.

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NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

Notes of Sunday Services and Other Matters of Religious Interest.

—First Mission, 11 Mill street. Elder D. L. Conklin, pastor. You will find welcome at the meetings at the Methodist Sunday School, 2 p. m.; gospel service, at 3 p. m. and

—Second Presbyterian Church, Rev. Charles Peetle, D. D., pastor—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.; C. E. meeting 6:30 p. m. Junior meet at 3 p. m. Bo. & Mission Band 2:30 p. m. Strangers welcome.

—First Presbyterian Church—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Juniors at 3:30 p. m.; Young People's service, 6:30 p. m.

—St. Paul's M. E. Church, Rev. Frank L. Webb, D. D., pastor—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; class meeting, 6:45 p. m.; Junior Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; Epworth League prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m. Members free and strangers cordially invited. Communion in the morning.

—North Street M. E. Church—Sunday School at 2:30 p. m.; Robert Lawrence, Superintendent. All are invited.

—North Street Congregational Church, Morning services at 10:30 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday School, 12:30 p. m.; P. S. C. E. meeting 6:30 p. m.; Seated free. Strangers welcome. Morning subject: "A God-filled Life." Evening subject: "What must I do?"

—Christ Church (Episcopal) Assembly Room, 61 North street; Rev. J. Newton Emery, pastor. Sunday School at 10 a. m.; Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; All are cordially invited. Union Union 3:30 p. m.; Evening service of song with short address by pastor.

—Y. M. C. A., North street—Men's meeting at 3:30 p. m.; All men cordially invited. Reports of the State convention by delegat's.

—First Congregational Church, Rev. W. A. Robinson, D. D., pastor—Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; young people's service, 6:30 p. m.; Evening service, 7:30 p. m.; cordially invited. Come and join us.

—First Christian Church—Sunday School, 11 a. m.; Preaching in the evening by the pastor. Gospel Service Union this evening. Evening subject: "The great glory of Jesus Christ shown in His perfect manhood."

—First Baptist Church, Rev. Frank A. Heath, pastor. Bible School at 9:30 a. m.; morning service at 11 a. m.; prayer meeting at 3:30 p. m. You are welcome. Morning service, 11 a. m.; Evening service, 7:30 p. m.; cordially invited. Come and join us.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 5.—Fair and colder, to-night; Sunday, fair, northwesterly winds becoming westerly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a.m., 38°; 12 m., 44°; 3 p.m., 46°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—March 3, 4, 5—Kineto-scope exhibition, at Casino.
—March 6—Gordon's famous New Orleans Minstrels, at Casino, under management of George Lewis.

—March 11—Junior League entertainment, at St. Paul's M. E. Church.

—March 11, 12—Andrews Opera Co., at Casino.

—March 17—Reception and ball of St. Patrick's Social Club, at Assembly Room.

—March 17—Masqueraude ball, given by "Billy" Almon, at Casino Theatre.

—March 25—Van Ingen, Greek Art, Literary Club's lecture course.

—April 16—John Thomas Concert Co., at Casino.

Gold is coming this way in large quantities. Vessels now on the ocean are bringing \$6,300,000.

If there is even a shadow of truth in the report that the Spanish government has bought or secured options on warships built in British shipyards for Brazil and other South American countries, the administration has missed a great opportunity and been shamefully neglectful of the country's interests.

Assemblyman Schultz introduced, Friday, a bill repealing the fall town meeting act for the counties of Orange, Sullivan and Rockland. There is small chance of the bill passing, for party lines will probably be drawn upon it, and even if the bill gets out of the House, Senator Lexow, the author of the fall town meeting bill, may be depended on to hold it up in the Senate.

Democratic Senators and Representatives stand ready to cheerfully and heartily sustain the administration in any measures which it may deem necessary to prepare the country for the possibility of trouble with Spain. The men who are likely to block appropriations for national defense and the possibility of war are Speaker Reed, Representative Boutelle and Senator Hale. The latter, as chairman of the House and Senate Naval Committees, are of the opinion that nothing can come of the Maine disaster that makes necessary preparations for war, and make no secret of their purpose to oppose any emergency appropriations. As for Reed, he is the Czar and responsible to no one but himself, and even the bill for two additional artillery regiments cannot get past him.

Secretary of State Palmer has completed his annual report on the statistics of crime for the year ending Oct. 31. The result is not encouraging to those who think the world is growing better, for the convictions in courts of record number 4,253, an increase of 775 over the preceding year. The convictions reported were as follows: Of offenses against the person 669, a decrease compared with 1,896 of 96; offenses against property with violence 1,130 and without violence 2,006, both showing an increase and the total of such increases being 630; offenses not included in the above 718, an increase of 222. There were 218 females convicted in courts of record, an increase of 38. In courts of special sessions there were 66,402 convictions, an increase of 3,649. Of the persons thus convicted 60,080 were males and 6,322 females. The aggregate of the statistics for both courts of record and courts of special sessions shows 70,925 convictions.

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SPANISH CRUISER WELCOMED.
Spaniards and Cubans Warmly Greet
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BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

HAVANA, March 5.—The Spanish cruiser Almirante Oquendo arrived in Havana harbor at 8:45, this morning. She received a hearty welcome from the ferry-boats and tugs on board which were civil and the military authorities and different societies, which had been waiting for the warship's arrival. The docks were crowded with sightseers, rockets were sent up, and flags and other decorations were displayed. She returned the salute from Fort Cabanas and then saluted the fort and the admiral.

The United States lighthouse tender, Mangrove, is expected here at any time with the Court of Inquiry, but she is not yet reported.

The smokestacks of the Maine have been removed and divers still hope to recover some more bodies, to-day.

THE COURT OF INQUIRY.

Divers' Testimony Cannot Be Taken for Some Time and Report Will Have to Be Delayed.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Admiral Seward's telegram, last night, gives only one clue as to the plans of the Court of Inquiry, and this is in effect that it will be some time before the testimony of the divers can be taken and an idea formed as to the date of submitting their report.

It is felt at the Navy Department that this will leave the question of the Maine disaster in doubt for some time longer, probably a week or ten days.

Activity in the various Navy and Military Bureaus continues without reference to the work of the Court of Inquiry.

COTTON OPERATIVES STRIKE

No Attempt to be Made to Start the York Mills Monday.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

SACO, ME., March 5.—All persons concerned in the strike of the cotton operatives of the York corporation seem to agree, to-day, that no attempt will be made to start the mills on Monday, and as yet there is no movement perceptible among the strikers to end the strike.

Many seem neither to hope nor desire that the mills will start again. Quite a number of men are looking for farm or other work, with the idea of giving up the mills altogether.

A SEQUEL OF ZOLA'S TRIAL.

Col. Henry Wounded in a Duel in the Wrist by Col. Picquart.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

PARIS, March 5.—Col. Picquart, who was disciplined for giving testimony favorable to Zola, fought a duel with swords, to-day, with Col. Henry. The latter was wounded in the wrist and Col. Henry succeeded Picquart as chief of the military secret service.

AN ARMY OFFICER KILLED.

Was Cut in Two by a Train He Tried to Board.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BURLINGTON, March 5.—Lieut. Frank Falk, of the U. S. Army, commandant at Anna Wesleyan University at Mount Pleasant, attempted to board a freight train here, to-day. He missed his footing and was cut completely in two.

RELIEF FOR CUBA.

Spain Sends Seventy-Five Tons of Supplies for the Detainees.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

MADRID, March 5.—The steamer Nusces sailed, to-day, for Key West with seventy-five tons of relief supplies for the destitute in Cuba. At Key West the stores will be transferred to the United States ships Nashville and Montgomery.

MAY BE WAR IN AFRICA.

Royal Niger Co.'s Forces Ready to Help Drive the French Across the Niger.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BRASS, Africa, March 5.—The Royal Niger Co.'s forces left Lokoja, yesterday, for Sokoto to assist in driving the French out of the territory of the Sultan should they refuse to recross the Niger River.

FOUR FISHING VESSELS WRECKED

Ten Fishermen Drowned and Six Others Missing.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

KOENIGSBURG, Prus., March 5.—A dispatch from Memel announces that four fishing vessels were wrecked in yesterday's storm. Ten fishermen were drowned and six are missing.

MANY LIVES LOST IN A BURNING MINE

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BRESLAU, Prussia, March 5.—The Saturi and Sezoeno mine is on fire. Twenty dead bodies have been taken out and more are below.

SPAIN'S DEBT INCREASED.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

MADRID, March 5.—The floating debt of Spain was augmented 13,223,681 pesos in February.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Clearing sale of books at Harford & Morton's —Store and four rooms to let.—Several lots to let.—Spring style show at Chas. D. Harford's.—Potatoe pie a bushel at J. W. Hause's.—Paris shoulder brace at W. D. Olney's.—Bicycle for sale cheap.—Rate 35c up at A. J. & J. Boyd's.—Tabac rose bulbs at Geo. A. Swain & Son's.—Believe jewelry at F. D. Keras' house.—Fire properties to let by E. E. Conklin.—Collection of dues, Homestead B. and L.—To the lot owners of Hillside Cemetery.—Nine-room house to let.—Andrews Opera Co., at Casino, March 12, 13.—When selling, take Munyon's Remedies.—Beckache cured by Beeson's Capsic Plasters.—Colic cured by Hale's Horseradish, Honey and Tar.—Dyspepsia cured by Dr. Dean's Dyspepsia Pills.—For kidney troubles, take Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—The big minstrel show of the season is Gorton's New Orleans minstrels.

—Have you secured your seat for Gorton's Minstrels on Wednesday?

—J. H. Wallack will present his new play, "A Guilty Mother," at the Casino, Saturday, March 19th, afternoon and evening.

—A roof is at last being put on the reformatory building, at Napanoch, on which the storms have so long beaten unobstructed.

—The name of one of the most efficient workers at the gentlemen's supper, on Thursday evening, was omitted from the list, that of Robert H. Tenant.

—R. V. Henry Stringer, of Mt. Vernon, was in this city, Friday, collecting subscriptions for the Mt. Vernon Orphans' Home from among the Germans here.

—A horse driven by James E. Matthews, of the carpet bug factory, slipped and fell at Orchard and North streets, this morning, and was so tangled up that it required the efforts of several men to release it.

—As will be seen by notice elsewhere, a meeting of lot owners in Hillside Cemetery will be held at John L. Wiggins' office, Thursday evening, March 10th, to decide on plans for the care and management of the cemetery.

—Matt Winters, arrested in Port Jervis for drunkenness, Thursday afternoon, was sentenced to thirty days in the Goshen jail. While waiting for a train he was returned to the lockup, where he pried open the door with a stove poker and left for parts unknown.

PERSONAL.

—Gabriel Tuthill was able to walk out, today.

—Samuel Foster's death is hourly expected.

—Mrs. George A. Wallace went to New York city, to-day, for a few days' visit.

—Henry W. Siglar, principal of Siglar's preparatory school, Newburgh, was in town, to-day.

—Mrs. J. C. May, of Middletown, visited her sister, Mrs. George W. Brady, on Wednesday.—*Ellenville Press*.

—The Liberty Falls correspondent of the Record says Miss Bertha Kirby, of Middletown, has returned to her home, after visiting her cousin, Miss Cooley.

—Mrs. R. Lozier, of Sparrowbush, went to Middletown, Friday, to visit her son, George, who is one of the best known attendants at the State Hospital in that city.—*Port Jervis Union*.

—Mrs. J. Hargrave and her children, who have been spending the past two months with her father, W. J. Groo, and her sister, Mrs. J. L. Wiggins, left, today, for South Boston, Va., where Mrs. Hargrave's husband is to have charge of an Episcopal parish.

—Rev. Ezra T. Sanford, of the Port Jervis Baptist Church, left that village, Friday, for New York, from which point he sailed, to-day, on the steamer Soole for Alexandria. He goes with one of the Clark's tourist parties and their trip will include a visit to Palestine, Athens, Rome, a tour across Switzerland and France and so back to London.

Pensions for Police in Cities of the Third Class.

A bill has been introduced in the Assembly authorizing cities of the third class to pension policemen who have served continuously for twenty years.

The bill applies to Middletown but the way in which we shake up our own police makes it certain that few officers will ever be eligible to places on the pension roll.

HAS APPEALED THE CASE.

Garret C. Hoffman has appealed from the judgment of \$31 secured against him by James Moran for services. The case was tried before Justice Payne.

A GREAT SURPRISE.

Is in store for all who use Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. Would you believe that it is sold on its merits and any druggist is authorized by the proprietors of this wonderful remedy to give you a sample bottle free? It never fails to cure acute or chronic coughs. All druggists sell Kemp's Balsam. Price 25 and 50c.

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THE OPERA ASSURED.

Martha, Cavalier Rascals, Bohemian Girl and Pirates of Penzance to be produced.

So successful have been the efforts of the committee in charge of the subscription lists for the advance sale of seats for a season of opera in this city that the musical entertainment is now assured.

Harry Downer, of the Andrew Opera Company, concluded his visit to the city, last evening, and has arranged for the company's appearance on the evenings of March 11th and 12th, and for a matinee on Saturday. Over 125 communion books of four coupons each have been subscribed for. A number of these books have been left at H. S. Dusenberry & Son's, where they may be obtained until Wednesday, by subscription only.

On Monday and Tuesday next, commencing at 9 a.m., the selection of seats will be commenced by subscribers only. On Wednesday morning, the sale will be opened for those desiring single seats at regular prices.

Much of the credit for the success of the venture is due to John W. Marvin, who has been untiring in his efforts to secure for this city a season of opera.

The following names have been added to the subscription list:

George Buchanan, O. H. Brown, R. D. Stratton, L. M. Walthall, Charles Higham, Aaron Samuels, D. D. Houston, Earl P. Haynes, C. J. Schwartz, C. L. Hulse, W. Williams, E. G. Crist, C. Spencer Kinney, Mrs. J. E. Iseman, F. O. Grover, W. S. Benedict, W. N. Sharpe, William Seeholzer, C. C. Bogart, U. T. Hayes, Mrs. J. H. Drake, T. K. DeWitt, M. G. Tibbets.

THE LAST SAD RITES.

Funeral of Mrs. Dennis Neville, This Morning.

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Dennis Neville were held at 10:30 o'clock, to-day, at St. Joseph's Church, with solemn requiem high mass. Rev. Father O'Hanlon was celebrant, Rev. Father Prendergast, deacon, and Rev. Father McElroy, sub-deacon.

The bearers were T. Frank Cullinan, Michael Doran, Daniel B. Sweeney, John Lawder, John Schlitt and James Claffey. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

There was a large number of floral offerings, including a large gates afar from the employes of the Union Hat Company, where Mrs. Neville was employed up to the time of her illness, commencing about a year ago.

KILLED AT PASSAIC.

Tried to Board a Moving Train With Arms Full of Bullets.

As Erie No. 29, due here at 9:13, was pulling out of Passaic, Friday night, at a rapid rate of speed, David Thompson, of Paterson, carrying several bundles, ran out of the station and endeavored to board the train. He missed the steps and his clothes caught in the truck some way, throwing him against the box of the wheel, breaking his back. He died, this morning.

GORTON'S APPEARANCE IN MIDDLETOWN.

Next Wednesday, Gorton's New Orleans Minstrels will be here. Mr. Gorton's present organization includes thirty-five performers, the very best in their respective lines, and the programme is so arranged that nothing but new, refined and elegant minstrelsy will be seen.

Note the specially reduced prices, fifty, thirty-five and twenty cents, never before offered for such a large and expensive attraction.

ONE OF THE PRIZE BABIES.

At a baby picture show conducted by a firm of enterprising photographers, at Mount Vernon, N. Y., the second prize was awarded to Ruth A., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Crowell, of that city. Mrs. Crowell's maiden name was Maude Blanchard, and she is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Blanchard, of near this city.

SURPRISE PARTY TO MR. AND MRS. BAIRD.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Baird were given a surprise party, Friday night, by about seventy-five friends, at their home, No. 157 West Main street. Dancing and other parlor amusements were indulged in. Music was furnished by Mr. Wilson, of Goshen, and Masters Baird and John Bright, of this city.

WANTS A PLACE IN THE FRONT RANK.

Albert Cushman, a young Englishman employed by James Ralston, on the Lower Road, is anxious for a scrap with Spain. In the event of war he wants a place in the front rank in order to show the Spaniards how an Englishman can fight.

A GENEROUS REPLY.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. desire to thank all those who so generously responded to their appeal, whereby they were enabled to furnish needed clothing to the children of the late John Picot. The whole amount raised was \$47.

WAY ESTABLISH A CHAMOIS FACTORY HERE.

Henry Bouton, of Philadelphia, is in this city, looking it over with a view to establishing a famous factory here. A number of French gentlemen are interested in the scheme.

WILL QUALIFY AT THE N.Y. MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

City Clerk I. B. A. Taylor will qualify at the next meeting of the Common Council, Wednesday night, when his bonds will be passed upon.

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V. M. TERRY'S BARN BURNED.

Seven Cows and Four Yearlings Perished in the Fire Which Destroyed Barn and Contents, This Morning.

Fire broke out in Victor M. Terry's barn, near Fair Oaks, this morning, about 7:30. The family had just finished milking and were preparing breakfast in the house, when smoke was discovered issuing from a barn door. Mr. Terry and his assistants hurried out and endeavored to release the cows, but on reaching the barn found that the stock was already surrounded by fire and could not be released.

Seven cows and four yearlings perished in the flames. Twelve tons of hay and 1,200 sheaves of unthreshed rye, wagons, farming utensils and many other articles were burned.

It is supposed that the blaze started from a spark from the kitchen chimney.

E. E. Conkling held insurance on the Continental, amounting to \$1,200.

SENT BACK TO JERSEY CITY.

How Port Jervis Got Rid of Six Boys Tramps.

The mothers of two of the Jersey City boys who reached Port Jervis, Wednesday night, in a box car, sent tickets to have their sons returned, and they were sent home, Friday morning.

The parents of the other four were too poor to pay their fares, and the Jersey City police advised the Port Jervis police that the boys were so tough that no one in Jersey City, not even their parents, cared whether they got back or not.

The village President and Deer Park Supervisor had a consultation as to what should be done with the boys. They were not wanted in Port Jervis (it has enough young toughs of its own), and as the easiest way out of the trouble, the chief

of police was instructed to buy tickets and ship them back to Jersey City. This was done Friday afternoon.

REAL ESTATE NOTES.

—Frank G. Kain has exchanged the fine new modern house, which he occupies on the east side of Ryce avenue, this city, with Samuel Greenhaigh, of Blommingburgh, for his handsome country place of eleven acres situated on the North Plank road, just outside the city limits, and known as the Finch place. Mr. Kain will remove to his new purchase, April 1st. The exchange was made through the real estate agency of A. V. Boak.

—C. M. Winchester has sold his interest in Columbia Park and Watkins avenue lots, in Middletown, and Northside Park in the town of Wallkill to Leander Brink.

WATER BOARD MAY NAME A SUPERINTENDENT.

There will be a meeting of the Water Board, to-night, at which it is quite likely that a Superintendent will be appointed. The leading candidates are the acting Superintendent, T. Wesley Davey, Patrick Scully,



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Charged War Filibustering.

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Russia Backs Up Its Candidate.

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NEW YORK, March 5.—Dr. Frank Agapontou, one of the three men rescued from the steamer Tillie, that foundered off Montauk point in January, was arrested yesterday on the charge of filibustering and held in \$2,500 bail. His case, with several others of a like nature, will come up in the March term of the criminal court, which begins next week.

Ferouck Bey Starts for Washington.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 5.—Ali Ferouck Bey, the newly appointed Turkish minister to the United States, has started for his post at Washington. Ali Ferouck Bey was appointed early in October last to succeed Mustapha Bey. He studied in Paris for five years and was for two years secretary of the Turkish legation in London.

Indian Head Destroyed.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Indian Head, one of the finest points on the Hudson river pallsades, opposite the northern end of Manhattan island, was yesterday reduced to a mass of material for paving stones by 1,000 pounds of dynamite.

Japan Wants to Know.

LONDON, March 5.—A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Tientsin, China, says: "Japan has addressed a note to Russia demanding an immediate and explicit statement on the question of the continued occupation of Port Arthur."

Trolley Hurts Bridge Cars.

NEW YORK, March 5.—It has been found that the trolley cars on the Brooklyn bridge cause a falling off of \$1,000 a day in the receipts from the bridge cable road, putting the burden of a deficit on the city at large.

The Loan Ratified.

LONDON, March 5.—The Peking correspondent of The Times says the Anglo-German loan of £15,000,000 has been ratified by imperial decree.

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March 8, 1897.

Chas. H. Fletcher, M.D.

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I have placed on my counters some shoes at \$1 a pair to close out the lines. They are all fine goods, some of them are hand turned shoes that formerly sold for four dollars and fifty cents a pair. We haven't all the sizes—they are mostly 2½, 3 and 3½ in size. Any lady wearing these sizes in A or B width can get a good bargain at the one price shoe store of

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HORTICULTURE

TALK ABOUT ONIONS.

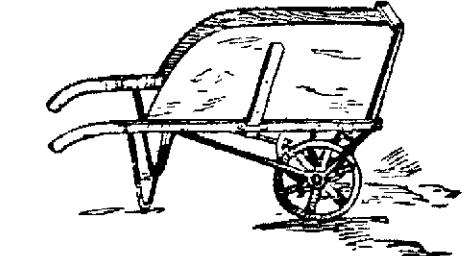
The Best Paying Varieties and Method of Cultivation.

The most popular varieties of onions for market are the following: White—Southport White Globe; red, Large Red Wedgesfield, and yellow, Yellow Globe Danvers, says Country Gentleman. There are others, but the above are considered the best and most profitable. Yellow onions being greatest in demand, the Globe Danvers variety, owing to its uniform shape, bright color and excellent quality, is universally accepted as the standard; it will keep better than any other kind, and even if accidentally frozen in storage, if more covering is added and it is left alone until thoroughly thawed, it will come out little the worse for its experience. The writer has grown no other variety for market for 15 years. Much of the success of the crop depends upon the quality and freshness of the seed sown; it is better to pay a dollar a pound more for a selected strain of a reliable seed house than to be foisted by cheap seed; northern-grown seed is preferable to California. In the yield of onions per acre there is a very wide range, from 200 to 1,600 bushels; and these numbers are not quite the extremes either, for occasionally a crop of 1,200 bushels is heard of, and it is by no means uncommon to see crops of less than 200 bushels; but a man who can average 500 to 600 may consider himself a successful onion grower, while 400 to 500 is a very fair crop. The width of the rows, the quality and quantity (varying from four to six pounds per acre) of seed sown, the adaptability of the soil, and the extent to which it is fertilized, the attention given to cleanliness and cultivation—these are the factors governing the size of the crop.

HANDY GARDEN BARROW.

Quite an Improvement on the One in General Use.

A great improvement on the ordinary garden wheelbarrow is shown in the cut. The wheels have broad tires, are light and run beneath the body—just in the position to balance the load when



HANDY GARDEN BARROW.

the handles are raised. This barrow can be dumped from the side as in the case of the ordinary barrow. It is thus possible to make over one of the old-fashioned wheelbarrows into the style shown, and that, too, at but small trouble and expense. —Orange Judd Farmer.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

Early musk melons always find a ready market. Later they become a drug.

Round varieties of beans are better than the flat, as they have less string and more snap.

Next spring plant sweet peas—as pretty and fragrant flowers as bloom. Get a good mixture.

Anise, caraway, tansy, wormwood and a number of other herbs ought to be grown in the garden.

Send for the catalogue of every seed house you see advertised and study these useful books closely.

The Japanese nest egg, which is about the size, color and shape of the hen's egg, ought to be grown for nest eggs.

It is claimed that the soja bean, when roasted and ground, will greatly surpass the advertised substitutes for coffee in flavor.

It is claimed that there is a large quantity of poor onion seed that will be offered cheap this year. Seek quality in buying seed and never mind the price.—Western Plowman.

Bone Meal for Flowers.

The finest bone meal or flour that can be procured is a real boon to the flower grower, either indoors or outside. Used carefully, it is not so dangerous as liquids of unknown strength, and its lasting qualities help out the over-worked, and necessarily neglectful window gardener. It sometimes burns the surface roots of plants to which it is too liberally applied. But this danger is much reduced if care be taken to apply water freely as soon as the bone is lightly worked into the soil. Carnations, especially, are likely to respond to rather liberal applications of this stimulating stuff. The unskilled may more safely feed those plants which make many roots, rather than those which never fill their pots.—American Inspection of Fruit Trees.

The law passed by the Michigan legislature at the request of the State Horticultural society, or of a committee from them at the request of the leading fruit growers, seems to be giving very general satisfaction. All nursery-grown stock in the state must be inspected, and the grower licensed before he can offer it for sale. The presence of injurious insect pests, like the San Jose scale, or a fungous or supposedly contagious disease like the peach yellows, is sufficient reason for refusing a license until it has been eradicated.

Even insects like the peach aphid must be destroyed before trees are sent out. Michigan is thus establishing a reputation as a good state to buy peach and other fruit trees from, as it long has been for the fruit itself.

MIDDLETOWN TIME TABLES.

Erie Railroad Co.

Trains leave from Middletown Station, Depart. Nov. 20, '97, and continuing until further notice, as follows:

Trains marked with "x" run daily. Trains Nos. 49, 50, 51, 52, and runs Sundays only. All other trains daily except Saturday. Trains Nos. 1 & 2 will run only for passenger traffic. The time of departure and destination must be given at the ticket office. Trains with the following return offices indicate connection, viz.: "G" with Newberg Branch via Greyourt; "N" with Newberg Branch via Tiverton; "M" with Montgomery Branch; and "P" with Pine Island Branch.

GOING EAST.

No. 1 N.Y.Leave James St. Sta. Main St. Sta.

15 Chicago Ex. 4:15 p.m.

16 New York Special. 6:01

18 Middlebury Way. 6:30

19 Orange Co. Ex. G. M. 7:10

20 Del. Val. Ex. (M. P. G.) 10:45 a.m.

21 W. Mass. (G. except Sat.) 11:05 a.m.

22 Way. G. 6:15

23 A. & G. T. Ex. 6:30

24 L. & G. 6:30

25 W. Mass. (Sun only). 7:30

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ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

Of course all of the members of the cast and chorus of Priscilla as presented here will interview the dozen or more Middle-towners mentioned in another column, on the one important question: "Was Port Jervis' presentation better than ours in your judgment?"

Inasmuch as most of those who took in the show at the only partially filled opera house in Port Jervis, Friday night, were in the company here their opinions will naturally be based upon the company seen at Port Jervis and the company as they saw themselves here.

To begin with the fact was plainly evident that more seats might have been sold. Next as the cutting critic, Allan Dale, might say, the piccolo player tried to sing all the soprano notes and he was shade off in the quality of his note every time he pursued Mrs. St. John up the scale and the effect was always damping to Mrs. St. John.

That is where all the objectionable features of the presentation terminated. The favorable features so far overbalanced the others that to mention them all would take more space than "Tip" is allowed to-day. The illness of Miss Van Wormer prevented her from participating, Friday, after her hit of Thursday evening, a fact regretted by her Middle-town friends, but this disappointment was removed before Mrs. St. John had barely launched into the part. She made a decided hit, and her spinning wheel song brought down the house.

Miss Della Farnum, a pretty girl who sang Barbara's part with splendid effect, was another success, but Port Jervis affection seemed centered in Miss Kate Mundon, sister of W. H. Mundon, of this city, who played Resignation with the same marked ability which was displayed by Miss Bertha Morgans here.

Hatebad Higgins was taken by J. Ed. Bennet, local editor of the *Gazette*, and with recollections of "Nick" it seems that newspaper men are best fitted for this extremely humorous part. Bennet flopped at full length on the stage when the ladies' chorus "cut off that monkey's tail" and murmur "never touched me" just as effectively as "Nick" did, and when he came to his topical song he was forced to respond with a half dozen extra verses. The text of these was the new trolley, of which he sang, "The trolley is here at last; if you look out of the window you'll see them go past," and the applause shook the building. He also sang a verse about a "ping-panging jewel whose name is Macomber," causing the bald spot on the back of that pianist's head to turn a becoming red.

John Alden's high tenor notes, Alden was George Hornebeck in this instance, were as strong and clear as a bell and he deserved all the applause he got. John Francis Cross also made a bit as Miles Standish. His duet with Mrs. St. John was a delicious taste of perfect harmony.

The chorus was well-drilled, being especially good in the "Madly He Loves Her" chorus with Standish. It can be truly said that Port Jervis' male chorus distanced that which Mr. Macomber had here. The ladies' chorus was very strong and in perfect harmony. They plainly showed the effects of Mrs. St. John's persistent and painstaking training. In fact her judgment in the selection of the cast seems to have been above criticism.

Between the acts Mr. Macomber announced that he desired the audience to rise and join in singing "America." Then the curtain was raised and the chorus grouped at the foot lights and while Standish waved one flag another and larger one hung suspended over the audience, and each member of the chorus waved a little one as "My Country 'Tis of Thee" swelled forth, joined in by every one present, and all standing.

During the second act Mr. Macomber "ping pauged" with one hand while he waved audience and tossed tokens of affectionate regard through the air to a party leaving the theatre, with the other. The audience's eyes followed the "tokens," and for a few moments interest in the people on the stage was lost.

Suffering From an Injury Recently in November.

Alex. Merritt, of Knapp & Merritt, broke a ligament in the back of the wrist while hitting a box November 26. The accident pained him steadily, but he thought nothing serious had happened until recently, when the wrist became so weak that he was obliged to have it put in plaster of Paris. He now feels signs of improvement in the injured member.

The War With Spain.
It will never come, but the famous Blue B. Remedies of the Joe Ilhong Yook Series will revolutionize medical science. No. 1 cures Rheumatism; No. 2 cures La Grippe; No. 3 cures a Cough or Cold; No. 4 cures Catarrh; No. 5 is a perfect appetizing Tonic; No. 6 cures Impotence; No. 7 is the Children's Relief Soothing Syrup. Call for sample free. 1,000 references.

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When people get old their blood becomes old, too. It gets full of acids and impurities, and those things cause Rheumatism. Kidney, Urinary and Bladder Diseases come also, and aged men and women suffer untold aches and pains. Premature death is nearly always due to neglect. Life can be prolonged without question if a little attention is paid to the symptoms which plainly tell of danger.

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SERVICE OF SONG.

Programme to Be Rendered at Christ Church, Sunday Evening.

The following music will be rendered at the Christ Church service of song, tomorrow evening, at Assembly Rooms:

Base Solo and Chorus—"My Shepherd is the Living God."

Base Solo and Chorus—"Sweet is Thy Mercy"

J. Barnby Anthem—"If With All Your Hearts"

Elijah Soprano—"How Gentle God's Commands!"

Negel Anthem—"Incline thine Ear!"

Himmel Schnicker Anthem—"Lead Kindly Light!"

Hyman—"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name!"

Has Secured a Position in New York.

Miss Edyth J. Sanford, of Stevensville, Sullivan county, who has been taking a course in stenography at the Middletown School of Commerce, 47 Washington street, passed a creditable examination in less than five months and has accepted a position in New York with a plumping firm at a salary of \$12 per week.

If It's a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

La Grippe is a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

Influenza is a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

Sore Throat is a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

Bronchitis is a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

A Cough is a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

Laryngitis is a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

Pleurisy is a Cold.

Take "Seventy-seven."

At druggists or seat prepaid on receipt of price, 25c, 50c or \$1.00. Ask for Dr. Humphreys' Specific Manual of all Diseases at your druggist's or mailed free, Humphreys' Medicine Co., New York.

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NEW YORK, March 5, '98.

Yesterday To-day Close

Sugar.....128½ 128½

Tobacco.....91½ 90½

Chicago Gas.....92 91½

Nat. Lead.....

General Electric.....32½ 31½

U. S. L. prof.....61 61

Tenn. Coal-and-Iron.....26 20½

A. T. & S. F.....11½ 11½

C. B. & Q.....54½ 58½

O. M. & S. P.....95 92½

R. I. & W.....86½ 85½

D. L. & W.....92½ 92½

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No. Pacific, pref.....16 16

Metropolitan Traction.....16½ 16½

Brooklyn Rapid Transit.....40½ 39½

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